



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket Number
A-68929-4/RMS/DCF/SRN

In re Application of	Jain-Bing Fan et al.	
Application Number	09/779,376	Filed February 7, 2001
For	NUCLEIC ACID DETECTION METHODS USING UNIVERSAL PRIMING	
Group Art Unit	1655	Examiner Frank Wei Min Lu

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$ 110 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27; therefore the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: | \$ 55 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check for the fee is enclosed | |

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No. A- 68929-4/RMS/DCF/SRN). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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